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08-415 Adult Probation and Parole

Agency Description

The mission of Adult Probation and Parole (organizationally expressed as the Division of Probation and Parole) is to protect public safety by providing for the investigation and supervision of adjudicated adult offenders through the enforcement of legal statutes and the provision of community-based programs that are designed to facilitate offenders' adjustment and reintegration into society.

The goals of the Division of Probation and Parole are:

- 1. Ensure public safety and confidence in community sanctions.
- 2. Manage the Division of Probation and Parole programs effectively, efficiently, and professionally.

The Division of Probation and Parole functions as a "community services" division and consists of a headquarters office in Baton Rouge and 20 district offices strategically located throughout the state. The division protects public safety by investigating adjudicated adult offenders for the courts and other decision makers; supervising those who are placed on probation, parole (regular and good time), or work release; and enforcing the conditions attached to their presence in the community.

In 1992 the Division of Probation and Parole assumed responsibility for monitoring community rehabilitation center contracts as well as inmates assigned to those contract work release facilities. These facilities are nonsecure, community-based residential facilities that have generally been utilized as a reintegration resource. They also provide an alternative to incarceration for parole technical violators. Of the eight work release facilities monitored by the Probation and Parole Division, three are contracted to private providers and five are operated through a cooperative endeavor agreement with the local sheriff's office.

The Division of Probation and Parole initially purchased 125 electronic monitoring units in 1995, 25 units in 1996 and 50 units in 1997. A central host system was purchased and installed for monitoring the devices and determining whether violations have occurred. The electronic monitoring units are currently being used to monitor curfews imposed in lieu of revocation for persons who have committed technical violations of their conditions of parole and for monitoring IMPACT (intensive parole) cases. The division has found that device is an efficient, cost-effective tool that enhances supervision efforts for selected cases. As a result of the 2001 Regular Legislative Session, Act 1163 regarding electronic monitoring of certain DWI offenders and Act 1139 regarding home incarceration and electronic monitoring of certain non-violent offenders became law. The estimated increase in the number of offenders on electronic monitoring that will be impacted by this legislation is 800.

Probation and Parole passed its 1993 American Correctional Association (ACA) accreditation audit with a perfect score and in early 1994 received its ACA accreditation. Adult Probation and Parole has two programs: Administration and Support and Field Services.

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AGENCY BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 2000-2001	ACT 12 2001-2002	EXISTING 2001-2002	CONTINUATION 2002-2003	RECOMMENDED 2002-2003	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:	2000 2001	2001 2002	2001 2002	2002 2003	2002 2003	LAISTI (G
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct) STATE GENERAL FUND BY:	\$28,492,594	\$32,170,668	\$32,170,668	\$39,411,156	\$30,085,207	(\$2,085,461)
Interagency Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	9,568,999	10,908,435	10,908,435	10,908,435	11,408,435	500,000
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	361,841	361,841	361,841
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$38,061,593	\$43,079,103	\$43,079,103	\$50,681,432	\$41,855,483	(\$1,223,620)
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Administration and Support	\$2,344,585	\$2,574,358	\$2,574,358	\$2,819,716	\$2,809,226	\$234,868
Field Services	35,717,008	40,504,745	40,504,745	47,861,716	39,046,257	(1,458,488)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$38,061,593	\$43,079,103	\$43,079,103	\$50,681,432	\$41,855,483	(\$1,223,620)
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	848	915	914	918	884	(30)
Unclassified	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	848	915	914	918	884	(30)